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**Subject:** Meeting Request  
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Dear Messrs. Ross and Forsgren,

I am writing to request a meeting on behalf of Florence Copper concerning the Underground Injection Control Program.

Florence Copper is currently developing a greenfield in-situ copper recovery facility in Arizona. During its lifetime, Florence Copper is estimated to create close to 500 jobs for Pinal County and generate \$3.4 billion in economic activity for the State of Arizona. Florence Copper is fully permitted for Phase 1 operations and is developing its Production Test Facility.

In the course of this permitting process, disputes have arisen concerning the extent to which mineral development can occur in reliance on UIC aquifer exemptions without those exemptions potentially being diminished during the course of development. We discussed these issues with Byron Brown (prior to his departure from EPA) and David Fotouhi, and would now appreciate the opportunity to discuss them with your office as well.


Please let me know your availability for a meeting September 24-28 or October 2-5. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best regards,

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